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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: H. TANAKA
Serial No.: 10/522,712
Filed: January 28, 2005
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
Group: 2111
Examiner: K. Kim

REPLY

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 29, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 29, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.